**SMART Boards in the Elementary General Music Classroom**

**Interactive Internet Site Evaluation**

1. Internet Address: www.musictheory.net
2. Page Title: Ricci Adam’s musictheory.net
3. Who is the author of this site? Ricci Adams
4. What are the credentials of the author?
5. Does the site contain accurate and unbiased information? Yes
6. Is the site up-to-date? Yes
7. Does the site contain contact information such as e-mail and postal addresses? No, but you can contact Ricci Adams via the Contact tab.
8. What is the purpose of the site (commercial, educational, political, etc.)? Strictly educational
9. What are some ideas for how you would utilize this site on the SMART Board in your classroom situation? For lessons on how to build scales, chord quizzes, key signatures, calculate intervals, and create chords all within the key you want, etc. The only downside was that I was unable to access the area to create exercises for ear training, interval recognition, chord recognition, and so on. This area would be wonderful to use in my classroom if available. This website is great for upper grade level students, especially high school students.

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**Software Evaluation**

**(Software to be used on the SMART Board)**

***(Based on Tom Rudolph’s “Selecting the Software”***

***from page 143 in Teaching Music with Technology)***

1. **Program Information:**
   1. Publisher:
   2. Title:
   3. Author:
   4. Cost:
2. **Program Requirements:**
   1. What must the student know or understand to use the program?
   2. What class or course could use the program?
   3. Can it be used with more than one grade?
3. **Program Format:**
   1. Is the program drill and practice, tutorial, testing, and/or a game?
4. **Hardware Requirements:**
   1. Would it matter if the SMART Board were mounted on the wall or if it were portable?
   2. **Is it necessary for young elementary students to touch the top of the screen?**
5. **Written Documentation:**
   1. What directions do the program provide, either in print, on a disk, or on the web?
   2. Are there suggested lessons or other information of benefit to the user?
6. **Program Customization:**
   1. Does it allow you to customize the sequence?
7. **Instructional Content:**
   1. Program Structure: Student Directed, Computer Directed
   2. Sequence of Materials: Excellent, Good, OK, Fair, Poor
   3. Pace of Instruction: Excellent, Good, OK, Fair, Poor
   4. Quality of Interaction: Excellent, Good, OK, Fair, Poor
8. **Student Record Keeping:**
   1. Does it record the student’s progress?